OFFICE OF GOVERNOR RONNIE MUSGROVE INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO: GOVERNOR

FROM: RILEY

SUBJECT: NATIONAL BOARD FOR PROFESSIONAL TEACHING STANDARDS: VOTE/APPROVAL OF

SECOND EDITION STANDARDS

DATE 5/7/01 **CC:** FILE

Betty Castor, NBPTS Executive Director, has requested an email vote on four Second Edition Standards recently recommended by the Standards and Professional Development Working Group. An email vote is necessary to ensure that Next Generation Certificates in the four fields will be available for the 2001-2002 school year. The four standards are:

- 1. Early Adolescence/English Language Arts Standards, Second Edition
- 2. Early Childhood/Generalist Standards, Second Edition
- 3. Middle Childhood/Generalist Standards, Second Edition
- 4. Early Adolescence/ Generalist Standards, Second Edition

Castor attached a memo from Kyle Dahlem, Chair of the Standards and Professional Development Working Group, explaining the working group's revisions at its April meeting and strongly suggesting that the Board vote yes on the four resolutions regarding adoption of these four standards.

I reviewed the four standards when they were forwarded to this office in April and I have reviewed Dahlem's memo. The working group's minor revisions strengthen and clarify language and also provide additional examples for clarification. The revisions do not change the direction of or introduce any broad new ideas to the draft documents.

I would recommend that you vote yes on the attached five resolutions. The first resolution is a waiver of notice of a meeting – this is necessary to comply with NBPTS bylaws requirements to take action between meetings. Resolutions 2 through 5 are the approval of the Second Edition Standards. <u>Please sign your name at the top of the attached page</u>, date it and check approved for all five resolutions.